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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: DELAWARE BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL

DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: Division of Professional Regulation

861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building

Second Floor Conference Room A

Dover, Delaware

MINUTES APPROVED: 03/26/2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Daniel Cherneski, LMFT, **President, Presiding**Dr. Tracey Frazier, Psy.D., LCDP, **Secretary**Ruth Banta, Public Member
Irvin Bowers, Public Member
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH
Joan McDonough, Public Member
Julius Mullen, Ed,D., LPCMH
Dr. William Northey, Ph.D., LMFT
Lisa Ritchie, LCDP
Elisabeth Vassas, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Gregg Drevno, Ph.D., LPCMH, Vice President Mary Davis, LCDP

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

David Mangler, Director Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT

Mary Burns Matthew Turley

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Cherneski called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

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The Board reviewed the January 29, 2014 meeting minutes for approval. Ms. Banta moved, seconded by Ms. Ritchie, to approve the minutes with changes. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review and Consider Order from Formal Hearing to Lift Probationary Status Held on January 29, 2014 for Richard Brousell

The Board reviewed the Order regarding Richard Brousell, LPCMH. Dr. Frazier moved, seconded by Ms. Ritchie, to accept the Order as presented. Motion unanimously carried. The Order was circulated for Board members' signatures.

Review Previously Tabled LACMH Application for Jeanine Antigua

The Board reviewed the previously tabled LACMH application and supplemental documentation submitted by Jeanine Antigua. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Northey, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Previously Tabled LPCMH Application for Brenda Wright

The Board reviewed the previously tabled LPCMH application and supplemental documentation submitted by Brenda Wright. Ms. Ritchie moved, seconded by Dr. Northey, to propose to deny the application, as it does not appear that Ms. Wright meets the statutory qualifications for licensure; specifically 24 *Del. C.* § 3032(a)(2). Motion unanimously carried.

Review Correspondence from Previously Tabled LPCMH Applicant Marie Gray RE: National Certification

The Board reviewed the Marie Gray's correspondence regarding alternative credentialing bodies that would be acceptable to the Board, beside the NBCC. Ms. Gray's correspondence noted that she missed the deadline to sit for the NCE exam. Ms. Ritchie moved, seconded by Dr. Frazier, to propose to deny the application, as it does not appear that Ms. Gray meets the statutory qualifications for licensure; specifically 24 *Del. C.* § 3032(a)(1). Motion carried with Dr. Northey abstaining.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Update from Legislative Committee</u>

Dr. Northey advised the Board that the Legislative Committee is still working on the statute and rules and regulations. Ms. Singh informed the Board that the regulatory changes were made pertaining to the requirement of LACMH licensure for individuals who graduated after June 30, 2012, do not coincide with the statute and that a regulation cannot appeal a statute. The Legislative Committee will continue to address this issue during their March 26, 2014 meeting.

Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to remove the notice from the Board's website. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LACMH Licensure

The Board reviewed Stephanie Criss' application for LACMH licensure. Ms. Ritchie moved, seconded by Dr. Frazier, to table the application for clarification as to why Ms. Criss is not proposing that a LPCMH supervise her. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity

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The Board reviewed Christine Prather's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Kerry McCommons application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Dr. Frazier, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of verification of certification from the NBCC. It is noted that Deputy Attorney General Singh advised the Board that the applicant meets the requirements for licensure. Motion carried with Mr. Cherneski, Mr. Cooper, Dr. Mullen and Ms. Ritchie opposed.

Review of Application for LAMFT Licensure

The Board reviewed Mary Burns' application for LAMFT licensure. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve Mary Burns to sit for the AMFTRB exam. Ms. Burns' license will be issued upon passing the AMFTRB exam. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Approval of Continuing Education Activity from James M. Walsh Pastoral Counseling, P.A.

Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Dr. Frazier to approve the following CE activity for James M. Walsh Pastoral Counseling, P.A. as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Mindfulness and the Helping Relationship: Staying Present (8.0 hours)

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Other Business before the Board (for discussion only)

Ms. Williams advised the Board that the "Save the Date" has been sent out for the Annual NBCC conference which is held in August. Mr. Cooper expressed interest in attending.

Dr. Northey requested that "Discussion Regarding LMFT Post Master's Experience" be added to the Legislative Committee's March agenda.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting Date

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2014 at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Ms. Ritchie made a motion, seconded by Dr. Frazier, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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